

## Thelma Olsen

Thelma Elizabeth Brotherson Olsen, 75, of Moroni, died Feb. 16, 1991, at the home of her daughter, Lynn, in Las Vegas, Nev., of cancer.

She was born Dec. 16, 1915, in Bonita, Duchesne County, to William N. and Annie Burnside Brotherson. She married Oman LeRoy Olsen of Moroni on Sept. 30, 1944, in Elko, Nev. Their marriage was later solemnized in the St. George LDS Temple.

She received her bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University and her master's and Ph.D. equivalent from Flagstaff, Ariz. She taught school more than 40 years in Tabiona, Emery, Fairview, Fountain Green and Mesquite, Nev.

She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had in many auxiliary callings. She and her husband served missions in Zimbabwe, Africa, and Sidney, Australia, as well as Moroni Stake Name Extraction missions, Manti Temple Visitors Center missions, and Moroni Stake missions.

Survivors include her husband of Moroni; two sons and three daughters, Kyle Olsen, Long Beach, Calif.; Craig Olsen, Cheryl Reese and Mrs. Mark (Lynn) Lerner, all Las Vegas, Nev., and Mrs. William (Deborah) Campbell, Orem; 18 grandchildren; one brother and one sister, Blaine Brotherson, Talmage, and Ila B. Tidwell, Mt. Pleasant.

Funeral will be Thursday, 1 p.m. in the Moroni Stake Center. Friends may call Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. at Ursenbach Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant and Thursday, 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m. at Moroni Stake Center.

Burial in Moroni City Cemetery.

**Verl Worthen Olsen**

CARBONVILLE—Verl Worthen Olsen, age 74, died January 17, 1992, at his home. Born October 17, 1917, in Utah, son of Fredrick and Laura Worthen Olsen. Married Marjella Amelia Fern September 11, 1940 in Vernal, Utah. Member of the LDS Church. Resident of Carbon County since 1945. Former employee of Kaiser Steel, Sunnyside Coal Mine, retired in 1974. Retired member UMW.

Survived by his wife, Carbonville; three sons, two daughters and spouses, Wayne and Kathlene Olsen, Helper; Doug and Mary Olsen, Wellington; Ronda Manzanares, Fred and Rollene Olsen, Down and James Stowe, all of Price; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; also one brother, Bill Olsen, and one sister, Jennie Atwood, both Still Lake City.

Funeral services 2 p.m. Tuesday, Mitchell Chapel, where friends may call daily 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Family will be at Mitchell's Sunday evening 6-8 p.m. and Tuesday one hour prior to services. Burial, Price City Cemetery.

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He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Mary; two sons and their wives, Eldon "Bonner" and Kirt James B. and Carolyn; seven grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren, six great-grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Doris Struelling, and a brother, Bert Holteitz. He was preceded in death by a brother, Leo O'Neil.

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**Gevene Duncan  
Sorensen**

Gevene Duncan Sorensen, our loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, passed away May 31, 1991 in Salt Lake City. She was born July 16, 1916 in Neola, Utah to Ivan Peter and Maria Keale Duncan. She married Marshall Lee Moore, later a divorcee. She started the next 40 years with her dear husband James H. Sorensen. She lived most of her life in Salt Lake and was a member of the LDS Church.



We her family, always knew that we were the most important part of her life. Each grandchild was special to her and she was so proud of their achievements & accomplishments. She was a beautiful example to us of kindness, hard work, honesty, generosity and love. She will be remembered by her friends at TCMU where she worked for many years and also her neighbors and friends who were the recipients of her sweet acts of kindness.

She is survived by her loving husband, four devoted daughters and their husbands, Jason and Fred Bodenstein, Colleen and Jim Lund of Salt Lake City, Carol and Robert Steele, Sandra and Lorne Beggs, and her ten great-grandchildren, brothers and sisters, Thelma, Rylene, Marjorie and Edwin of Salt Lake City, Errey, Neola, Utah and Harold, Richfield, Utah. Preceded in death by her parents, brother and grandson.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, 12 Noon, June 4, 1991 at Liberty Park Mortuary, 445 East 1500 South, Salt Lake City. Burial will be in Wasatch Lawn Mortuary, 3401 South Highland Drive, and at the Church on Tuesday one hour prior to services. Interment Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park.

# **Roy Thomas**

TABIONA, Duchesne County—Roy Thomas, 73, died June 8, 1985 in a Heber City hospital.



Born Feb. 9, 1912 in Duchesne to Benjamin Tom and Elizabeth Jane Merkley Thomas. Married Erma Clayburn June 12, 1936 in Bridgeland, Duchesne County, Utah. LDS Church member and stockman. Served as Duchesne County Commissioner 14 years and as president of Duchesne-Strawberry Water Users Association many years. He was active in civic and political activities. Enjoyed participating in livestock auctions, and enjoyed fishing, hunting, trapping and sporting activities.

Survived by wife of Tabiona; children, Mrs. Della Thomas Wright, Price; Acel Ray Thomas, Mrs. Nolan (Arlie) Giles and Craig B. Thomas, all of Tabiona; 20 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Dave Thomas, Elmer Thomas and Mrs. Vern (Athen) Bromley, all of Duchesne; Alden Thomas of Orem; Laydon Thomas of Ogden; Rich Gunn; Mrs. Chas. (Rena) Hansen; Mollo, Idaho. Preceded in death by a daughter, Carmo and two grandchildren.

Funeral service Wednesday, 1:00 p.m., Tabiona Ward Chapel, where friends may call Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. until services. Burial Roosevelt Cemetery. Funeral directors Olin Mortuary, Heber City.

UTAHN WARD, Duchesne Stake, Duchesne Co., Utah, embraced the Latter-day Saints residing on the Duchesne River, above Duchesne. The center of the ward, where the ward house stood, is six miles north of Duchesne, and eight miles south of Talmage.

Soon after the opening of the Uintah Reservation in 1905, Elijah W. Mayhew and other L. D. S. settlers took up land on the Duchesne River about six miles north of Duchesne. The settlement was founded in 1906 by saints who were organized into a branch of the Church Dec. 17, 1911, with Levi C. White as presiding Elder. It was named the Point of Rocks Branch, but afterwards called Utahn. The original name, Point of Rocks, was suggested because of a point of rocks standing on the east side of the Duchesne River. The Utahn Branch was organized as the Utahn Ward June 30, 1918, with Levi C. White as Bishop, but the ward was disorganized Sept. 24, 1922, and its remaining members were transferred to the Duchesne Ward. *Encyc Hist Jensen 709*

UTRECHT CONFERENCE, or District, of the Netherlands Mission, embraces that part of the Netherlands which comprises the provinces of Utrecht, Gelderland and Overysel, with headquarters in the city of Utrecht, which is situated in the midst of a fine agricultural district, 30 miles northeast of Rotterdam and 30 miles southeast of Amsterdam. It was originally known as the Arnhem Conference, which conference (which see) was organized in November, 1897, and continued till July 1, 1924, when its headquarters were removed from Arnhem to Utrecht, and its name changed. The total Church membership in the Utrecht District at the close of 1930 was 324, including 48 children.



## Alvin Washburn

Alvin Marrott Washburn, 70, longtime resident and businessman, died March 10, 1992, at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center in Provo.

He was born May 15, 1921, in Duchesne, to A. Verd and Grace Marrott Washburn. He married Juna Christiansen, June 15, 1951, in the Logan LDS Temple. She died in 1990.

The family moved to Orem when he was a child. He was educated in the Orem schools. He also attended Utah State University and Brigham Young University. He and his wife and family resided in Provo and Orem for 40 years.

He served in the Air Force during World War II. He also worked on the original construction of Geneva Steel. He was a master mechanic, and with his father operated the first auto dealership in Orem, Washburn Service. He later founded Orem Motor Company and operated Washburn Motor Company with his wife and sons.

His dealership was awarded The Dealer

of Distinction Award by the American Import Dealers Association.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and had served in many positions, including ward clerk. He particularly enjoyed home teaching.

He served as a director of the American Cancer Society, and hosted the 1991 fund-raising drive. He enjoyed working, traveling, reading, poetry, gardening, and was an inventor.

He is survived by five children, Jerry C. Washburn, David J. Washburn, Carl S. Washburn, Shellee Gardiner, all of Orem; and Mark A. Washburn, Pleasant Grove; 17 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Betty Neidhammer, Palm Desert, Calif.; Gloria Wright, Orem; and a brother, Paul Washburn, Pleasant Grove. He was preceded by his wife, and by an infant son, Michael.

Funeral will be Friday, 11 a.m. in the Provo Sharon East LDS Stake Center, 1060 E. 2400 N., Provo. Friends may call Thursday, 7-9 p.m. at the Sundberg-Olpin Mortuary, 495 S. State, Orem, and Friday at the stake center from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the services.

Burial will be in the Provo City Cemetery.

